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THE STATE GRANGE AT LEWISTON.
THE LARGEST ATTENDED AND MOST INTERESTING ANNUAL MEETING EVER HELD BY THE ORGANIZATION.

The annual meetings of the State Granges, which are composed of the masters and their wives of the several subordinate Granges of the State, are of more importance and are exerting a greater influence for good over the whole industry

ence, for good, over the whole population of the classes of this nation, than those outside of the gates are aware of. Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine, held their annual meetings last week. The meeting at Lewiston of the Maine State Grange's Patrons of Husbandry, was composed of two hundred and twelve voting members and there were in attendance each day nearly six hundred members of the order.

all men and women of influence and respectability, and enjoying the confidence of the citizens of the towns where they resided, else they would not have been sent there. They were there for no selfish end, but to consider and discuss the best methods to adopt to promote a general improvement in husbandry and to educate their children, in order to increase the happiness of the people and the prosperity of the country.

of the whole country—to enhance the comforts and attractions of their homes, and to strengthen the attachments of their children to farming pursuits, and, also, to foster mutual understanding and co-operation. They believe the leaders of industry should occupy their share of the responsible positions in the government. Those who have been connected with this order

from its commencement, and attended
meetings regularly, looked upon the
assembly of farmers and their wives with
astonishment, to see the wonderful im-
provement they have made in conducting
their meetings, and discussing the various
subjects that come before them. Their
meetings have proved the efficiency of the
mental discipline which comes to one
through patient, persevering toil, and

inspiration of a grand occasion. The noble objects of this organization meet with the approval of every honest man in the country. No member is allowed to thrust his political notions upon the members in an offensive manner,—but all questions affecting the public welfare are discussed freely. No one appears to care to know to what political party his brother belongs, when attending these meetings,—but it is expected

ed that the good they receive from the discussions will be seen and felt in the various political parties. It is evident that farmers are preparing themselves and their children to take a more active part in the affairs of the State and nation. The more successful of our business men in the city were born and educated on the farm.

Z. A. Gilbert, Secretary of the Board

Agriculture, was in attendance, and made some very interesting remarks in regard to giving aid and support to our State College which met the hearty approval of all. The meetings were addressed by a large number of the members, on the various subjects discussed, in an unselfish, honorable and truthful manner. The remarks evidenced that every person in the order is a friend to education, and believes that every body

The Agricultural press of this State highly commended and spoken of as b

equal, if not superior, in its usefulness to any in the country, some preferring and others another, while agreeing all were worthy of support.

During the first few years of organization of this society, there was great deal of loose talk made in regard to trade, monopolies, and various other subjects about which the speakers, who pushed hard to acknowledge they had

positive information. Now, it is expected when a member makes charges against an individual or corporation, he is to be prepared to give facts and figures, so as to assist in trying to mitigate the evil. One shows any disposition to trespass the rights of others, or forget the corollaries which belong to their position. meetings, from beginning to end, conducted in the most harmonious

profitable manner. Worthy Master Robie presided with ability and dignity, and all went home, feeling sure that the citizens of Maine would regret the election of him for the high office in their gift.

At these meetings it is expected that will meet on a level for a social and a "good time," and the writer, who has been one of the speakers, if there are

As many of the members as could be accommodated, stopped at the D. House, Quimby & Muroh, proprietors, being in the immediate vicinity of the hall, where the meeting was held. The proprietors of this large and famous hotel, will be remembered:

merely favorably known in this city, ascribed to realize from the appearance of their guests that they came from comfortable and happy homes, and while under the roof of the DeWitts they should miss none of their home comforts, and no one who witnessed the bursts of applause from the guests dining room, on the last evening of the week, when Worthen Overman E. H. G.

J. C. NORTON & C^o
dals

TO THE LADIES

FOR WORK of all kinds done in the vestment department. HAVE just received a large stock of new styles of hats, and will make to order all the work that can be done, at reasonable prices.

MISS WYER,
49 Grove

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. The suit of Wm. S. Williams, on behalf of himself and the Western Union Telegraph Company, against the Western Union Telegraph Company, was set for trial in the Superior Court today. The suit was brought to set aside an agreement made between the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Western Union Telegraph Company, which was made in 1911, in which the Western Union Telegraph Company agreed to purchase the Western Union Telegraph Company, and the Western Union Telegraph Company agreed to sell the Western Union Telegraph Company to the Western Union Telegraph Company.

A RASH ACT. Byron Kimball, aged 25, of Bangor, a stock broker at No. 100 State street, Boston, was arrested last night at a room in the Milliken House. He is still alive and at the City Hospital, but the prospects of recovery are poor. A letter was found on his person from a customer, asking an immediate return of either the interest or principal on money invested in a cotton speculation, and it is supposed that financial embarrassment caused the act.

A CABINET MEETING. Discussing the case of George Kelly, Washington, Dec. 26. All the members were present at the regular meeting of the Cabinet today. The session was short and mostly devoted to the case of George Kelly, of Fort Poplar, Maine, charged with murder. The question under discussion was whether the United States should yield jurisdiction in this case to the State Courts and thereby establish a precedent with regard to crimes committed on Government reservations. No conclusion was reached.

CLAIMS TO HAVE BEEN MARRIED. Lewiston, Dec. 26. Two Russians reported that they stopped at a boarding house in Lewiston last night, and that during the night their packs valued at \$200 were stolen.

DEATH OF JUDGE GILMAN. Augusta, Dec. 26. Judge Samuel K. Gilman, a prominent citizen of Hallowell, died Tuesday morning. He was collector of the port of Castine, 1872, for four years a member of the Legislature, practiced law in Hallowell and served nine years as Judge of the Municipal Court in that city. He was much respected by his fellow-citizens.

Burglar Arrested. Portland, Dec. 26. A Boston man named Winthrop Morrill was arrested last evening on suspicion. He had several articles which prove to have been stolen from Wm. H. Clifford's summer residence in Cape Elizabeth. He is supposed to be the robber who has operated so extensively in the summer cottages in the vicinity of Portland.

A Murder Trial. NEWBRIGHT, D. C. 26. The Supreme Judicial Court is now in session here. Jas. Henderson was arraigned this afternoon for the murder of Wellington McDonald on September last. The respondent pleaded not guilty. The trial will commence Wednesday morning. Attorney General Cleveland will conduct the prosecution.

General News. A rumor that one of the Star-Busters has confessed. WASHINGTON, Dec. 26. Rumors are in circulation here to-night, but cannot be traced to any trustworthy source, that Bertha of the Star-Busters defense has confessed to the crime and made a written confession of all she knows concerning the business relations of Brady, Darcy and others.

CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATIONS. CINCINNATI, Dec. 26. Col. J. B. Taylor was nominated to believe by the Republican convention today, to fill the vacancy in Congress caused by the death of Representative Updigger.

A FATHER'S TERRIBLE CRIME. Mr. Shedd His Children and Tries to Kill His Wife. SPRINGFIELD, Mass. Dec. 26. Merion Montgomery, a 30-year-old man, shot his two little children in Pelham, this morning, instantly killing George, 6 years old, and probably fatally wounding Eva, four years old. Montgomery has not lived with his wife for eight months, leaving her through jealousy, and she made her home with her father, Horatio Marshall's sister. Montgomery returned to the family Saturday and stayed till today. This morning he asked his wife if she would live with him and she refused.

He went out, found the children playing outside the door and shot them with a revolver. He then tried to shoot his wife and her father, but was stopped by the latter and he fled to the woods till the sheriff came and arrested him. He was taken to Northampton, pleaded not guilty in the District Court and was held to be examined January 4. He looks like a man of average intelligence. He does not drink and says he does not remember of having committed a crime.

NEW HARBORERS. A Strong Recommendation. DOVER, Dec. 26. An adjourned investigation of the charges preferred by W. A. Dodge against Marshall Reube, A. Libby took place to-night. It was voted unanimously to acquit the Marshal of all the charges preferred against him and strongly recommended him to the new Board of Aldermen for re-election.

RHODE ISLAND. The Sprague Case. PROVIDENCE, Dec. 26. Z. Chaffee, trustee and assignee of the A. & W. Sprague estate, has petitioned the Supreme Court for authority to pay the dividend holders of trust mortgage notes, having nearly \$500,000 on hand. He also has a bill in equity praying for a decree authorizing him to sell the stock of the Quaker Company which was pledged for the payment of the Sprague estate. The bill is valued at \$439 shares of the Company. A hearing on the first application is set down for Saturday.

LOUISIANA. A Head Case. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26. In the case of Henry Shepard and other consolidated bondholders, the City Auditor G. S. Greer gave a verdict today for the plain. The City authorities are ordered forthwith and annually hereafter to levy and collect a tax of \$0.000 to pay in interest and provide for the payment of the principal of the consolidated bonds.

NEW YORK. Records Appointed. ALBANY, Dec. 26. Judge Landon to-day appointed Robert F. Atkinson, President of the Commercial Bank of Rochester, to be Receiver of the City Bank of Rochester.

KENTUCKY. City Officials Impounded. LOUISVILLE, Dec. 26. The Council to-day formally impeached the City Auditor Philip Hinkle, Assistant Fire Chief Geo. W. Levi, and two of the City Hall officials, under an indictment for fraud in the assessment and tax collector's office.

THE WEATHER. WAR DEPT. OFFICE CITY SIGNAL OFFICE, Washington, D. C., Dec. 27 (1 A. M.). Indications. For New England: Generally fair weather, preceded by light snow; northwesterly winds; stationary or higher barometer; slight change in temperature.

LOCAL MATTERS. Snow & Averill have Florida oranges. Annual meeting of Bayard Lodge this evening. Alfred Jones has fresh oysters, clams and fish. Thompson & Kellogg advertise Taylor's best flour. W. H. Pritchard calls attention to the Fairmount range. See notice of the dissolution of the firm of Morrill & Norcross. See notice of the steamer Florence's trip to Bar Harbor Saturday. Robinson & Arty will sell the balance of their holiday goods at reduced prices. The Central Club held a well attended and highly interesting meeting last evening. The St. John train struck a cork on the railroad track near the Water Works last evening. A pleasant matinee was held in Music Hall by Mr. M. H. Andrews on Monday afternoon. Judge Libbey, of Augusta, and M. S. Norton, of Sullivan, are at the Penobscot Exchange. Mrs. Anna B. Snow, the electrologist, read in Moulton on Friday evening with good success. The date of the proposed reception in Lewiston to Governor-elect Robie will be February 1. It is anticipated the first rehearsal of the Handel Association will be held on Tuesday evening next. The funeral of Samuel Y. Loughlin who committed suicide on Saturday, was held yesterday forenoon. The executive committee of the Maine State Grange will hold a meeting in Augusta during January. "The Professor" Company enjoyed a Christmas tree Monday forenoon in one of the parlors of the Bangor House. A baker's cart collided at Pol's corner on Monday afternoon with John Herby's sleigh, badly demolishing the latter. We are indebted to Hon. E. M. Stillwell for a copy of the report of the Commissioner of Fisheries and Game for 1923. Officer Dougherty found a lady's hand basket on Kenduskeag Bridge and the same can be recovered by the owner at the police station. The Emma Abbott Company arrived yesterday morning from Portland and are stopping at the Bangor House and Penobscot Exchange. A successful and largely attended hall was held in Town Hall, Orono, Christmas night, under the auspices of the Eagle League Company. Regular business meeting of the Cranston afternoons at half-past two. Prayer meeting at four o'clock; held in the reading room, Franklin street. The large wax doll given away by Smith & Son weighed 124 pounds and was won by Miss L. F. Young, the only one who guessed the exact weight. Don't forget the Whistler. Soles at the Grand Army Hall this evening. Every lady is expected to bring a pair of whistlers. Are are January to come. Commencing January 1, 1924, the boot and shoe dealers of the city will close their establishments at six o'clock, Saturday evenings excepted, until April 1. Old Santa left one hundred bags of fruit and candies at the Alms House which with an extra dinner provided by the Superintendent, made the inmates quite happy. On the first page of this issue will be found a report of the recent interesting session of the Maine State Grange at Lewiston from the pen of a White representative. Rev. George A. Gorham, of Greenfield, who has been called to the new Old South in Boston at a salary of \$5,000 is a graduate of the Bangor Theological Seminary. Preparations are being made for the polemic ball which will be held in Music Hall on New Year's eve. A most large attendance is anticipated by the sale of tickets. Oakes & Son are building at their yard in Bangor a ship for the health club. The yacht will be 64 feet long, 15 feet beam and will measure about 30 tons. She will be a fine craft in all respects. It is learned with regret that the health of Rev. Dr. Robins, ex-President of Colby University, has again failed under pressure of his work at Rochester, and that he has been compelled to take rest. The steamer Florence arrived at Bucksport Monday, after a pleasant trip from Bar Harbor. The steamer will leave Bucksport next Saturday, upon the arrival of the train from Bangor, for Bar Harbor. All freight must be sent down Friday. The reference case of M. B. Pinkham vs. Hayford & Stetson was heard at the Court House yesterday before Judge Libbey, of Augusta. Messrs. F. F. French and John Bates acted as referees. The case grew out of a lumbering operation. The Christmas festival of the Sunday school and congregation of St. John's Episcopal church, will be held in the vestry of the church, on Thursday evening, Dec. 28th, at 8 P. M. All friends of the congregation are invited. Ladies who desire to send refreshments or offerings for the bazaar will please send them as early as possible. Thursday afternoon to the vestry of the church. GORHAM. The Universalist Society of Orono had a Christmas concert and tree on Saturday evening; the occasion was greatly enjoyed by a good congregation. In the Methodist church on Sunday morning the pastor, Rev. L. L. Hancock, gave an interesting sermon on the birth of Christ. In the evening a large audience were delighted with a concert, the subject being, "The Story of Redeeming Love." ENFORDMENT OF THE FISH LAWS. A correspondent writes: A. J. Darling, of Enfield, Fish Warden, ferreted out some parties in Piscataquis county who have been carrying on a wholesale slaughter of white perch in Boyd Lake, Orneville, Saturday, Dec. 23d, he caused two of them to be arrested and brought before A. Gray, Trial Justice at Monson. At the trial J. P. Sprague appeared for the State and A. J. M. Robinson for the defendants. They were fined and paid \$75.32 for that fishing excursion. A PLEASANT EVENT. Christmas afternoon, at the residence of our esteemed old man, Hon. Wm. B. Hayford, his daughter, Miss Annie C. Hayford, was walking in the bonds of wedlock to Mr. Melvin T. Pierce. The pleasant ceremony was solemnized by the Rev. Geo. W. Field in the presence of relatives and a few intimate friends. Mr. Pierce has returned to Bangor where he was formerly a resident and has established himself as partner in the wholesale grocery firm of Briggs & Pierce. The bride is a young lady widely known in local circles and estimated for her many excellent qualities. Police Court. Patrick Golden, for drunkenness, was sentenced to jail for 30 days and ordered to pay costs. William Hutchinson, for drunkenness, was sentenced to jail for 30 days. Catherine Murray, for single sale, was fined \$50 and costs.

